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## MEDIA RELEASE

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#### East Hampton COVID-19 Home Test Kits Distribution Sunday

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East Hampton, CT, January 1, 2022 – The Town has received a delivery of 942 test kits, which are being directly distributed to First Responders, School staff, and vulnerable populations. About 450 kits will be distributed to East Hampton residents via drive through at the Town Hall, 1 Community Drive, on Sunday, January 2 beginning at 1pm. The distribution will last until 4pm or as supplies last.

The target person for this limited distribution includes persons with an exposure to a known case of COVID-19 or is experiencing the symptoms of COVID-19. Also, people who are expecting to gather indoors with a number of unrelated people whose COVID status is unknown may also get kits. Due to the limited number of kits available, distribution is restricted to one per household member up to two per vehicle.

Signs at the site will direct drivers to the pick-up location. Only one person per household needs to come to the kit distribution site.

This is part of a statewide effort to stem the current surge of COVID-19 cases. According to information from the Office of the Governor and the Department of Public Health (DPH), the self-test kits are intended to reduce the spread of the Omicron virus and to supplement existing testing with a primary focus on the members of the public who have interacted or intend to interact with numbers of people whose COVID status is unknown.

Thanks to the members of the East Hampton Citizen Emergency Response Team (CERT) who will be handling the distribution at the Town Hall.